

# Adolescent Parenting Program

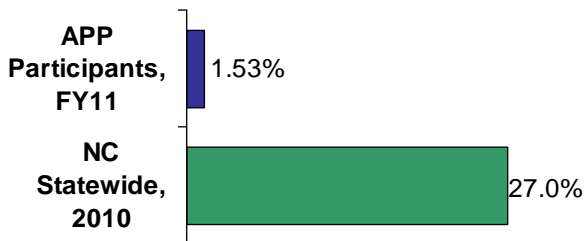
## Evaluation Highlights, 2010-2011

The Adolescent Parenting Program (APP) invests in the future of North Carolina by supporting first-time pregnant and parenting teens. Through intensive **home visiting** and **peer group education**, APP provides family life education, academic assistance, job skills development, parenting education, and cultural enrichment. By investing in teen parents today, the program protects two future generations—the young parents themselves and their babies.

### Repeat Teen Pregnancy Prevention

The repeat pregnancy rate among APP participants is substantially lower than that for teen parents statewide. In FY11, it is estimated that APP averted more than 200 repeat teen pregnancies.

#### Repeat Teen Pregnancies



### Dropout Prevention

Parenthood is the leading cause of school dropout among teen girls in the United States. In FY11 the dropout rate among

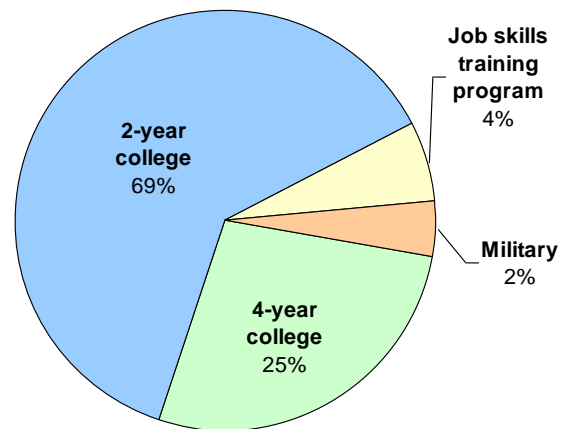


2010 Graduates from  
Mecklenburg County APP

APP participants was 3.83 percent, only slightly higher than the state dropout rate of 3.43 percent

### Future Self-Sufficiency

Over three-fourths (76.3 percent) of APP graduates reported plans for post-secondary education or vocational training.



### Cost Savings

In 2008, the public cost of teen childbearing in North Carolina was \$392 million. By preventing teen pregnancies, APP has saved taxpayers roughly \$4.2-\$4.8 million annually. The cost to implement APP in FY11 was \$1.7 million, for a **net savings of up to \$3.1 million**.

#### Teen Pregnancy Prevention Initiatives (TPPI)

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